

IC 25-39-2

Chapter 2. Definitions

IC 25-39-2-1

Application of definitions

Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Abandoned well

Sec. 2. "Abandoned well" means a well:

- (1) whose original purpose and use have been discontinued for more than five (5) years; or
- (2) that is in such a state of disrepair that using it to obtain ground water is impractical or a health hazard.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Annular space

Sec. 3. "Annular space" means the space between the exterior of the well casing and the natural formation in a drilled well.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Aquifer

Sec. 4. "Aquifer" means any underground geologic formation (consolidated or unconsolidated) that has the ability to receive, store, and transmit water in amounts sufficient for the satisfaction of any beneficial use.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Bentonite clay

Sec. 5. "Bentonite clay" means a commercial clay or clay mineral product that has been approved by the commission by rule adopted under IC 4-22-2.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Casing

Sec. 6. "Casing" means a pipe installed to prevent unwanted solids, liquids, or gases from entering the interior of a well.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Commission

Sec. 7. "Commission" refers to the natural resources commission.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-8**Department**

Sec. 8. "Department" refers to the department of natural resources.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-9**Director**

Sec. 9. "Director" refers to the director of the department of natural resources.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-10**Ground water**

Sec. 10. "Ground water" means water occurring beneath the surface of the ground regardless of location or form.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-11**Grouting**

Sec. 11. "Grouting" means the process of sealing the annular space in a well.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-12**License**

Sec. 12. "License" refers to a water well driller's license issued by the department under this chapter.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-13**Neat cement**

Sec. 13. "Neat cement" means a mixture of ninety-four (94) pounds of cement and no more than six (6) gallons of clean water. Additives designed to increase fluidity may not exceed five percent (5%) of the total mixture.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-14**Plugged**

Sec. 14. "Plugged" means the insertion of a material in a well that prevents the migration of gas, liquid, or solid material up or down the well.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

IC 25-39-2-15**Water well driller**

Sec. 15. "Water well driller" means a person who operates well drilling or driving equipment or engages in the drilling or driving of wells.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.

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Well

Sec. 16. "Well" means a hole drilled or driven to:

- (1) obtain geologic information on aquifers;
- (2) monitor the quality or quantity of ground water;
- (3) obtain ground water; or
- (4) utilize the geothermal properties of earth formations.

As added by P.L.262-1987, SEC.2.